

**Village of Salado  
Salado Municipal Building  
301 N. Stagecoach  
Salado, Texas  
Minutes of Special Meeting of Board of Aldermen  
September 4, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.**

The Board of Aldermen meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro-tem Fred Brown.

Board Members Present: Mayor Skip Blancett, Mayor Pro-tem Fred Brown, and Aldermen Michael Coggin, Frank Coachman, and Michael McDougal. Alderman Andy Jackson was absent.

Staff Present: Village Administrator Don Ferguson and City Secretary Cara McPartland

### **Workshop**

Workshop to discuss and consider issues relating to the Proposed Fiscal Year 2019 Village of Salado Budget. (*Village Administrator*)

Village Administrator Ferguson presented highlights of the Fiscal Year 2019 Proposed Budget, which included line item descriptions, and noted some minor budget adjustments relating to employee health insurance, Capital Outlay, and Hotel Occupancy Tax funds, that do not affect the Budget's bottom line.

Discussion addressed:

- Bell County contributions
- Increased funding to Fire Department
- Codification of ordinances
- Reduction of legal expenses
- Build-up of Fund Balance
- Road/street assessment and improvements
- Continued operation of tree trimming program
- Royal Street improvements
- Maintenance/irrigation of landscaped islands
- Replacement of Police Department computers and vehicles; acquisition of rifles (with pursuit of possible grant funding)
- Warning sirens/crossing gates (possible mitigation funding available)
- Conservative revenue projections
- Personnel pay increase of 2.5 percent (except for administrator)
- Police Department part-time work
- Police Department employee turnover and possible mitigation through market adjustments or certification pay
- Various administrative fees and professional services
- Consideration of future animal control interlocal agreement with Bell County

- Marketing campaign funding
- Build-up of a vehicle replacement fund
- Two part-time weekend trolley drivers
- Part-time person to help staff Visitor's Center
- Possible future need for additional clerical support
- No increase in M & O tax rate
- Increase in debt service tax rate
- Impact of tax increase based on a \$250,000 assessed property value
- Long-term strategies to increase revenues

Brief announcements were made about weekend activities in Salado and upcoming events.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Blancett entertained a motion to adjourn.

Alderman McDougal moved to adjourn. Alderman Coachman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Adjournment**

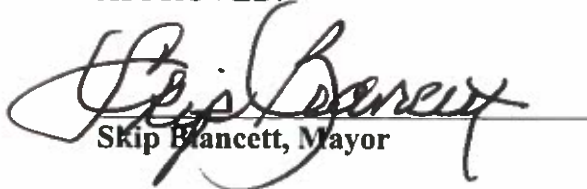
Mayor Blancett called the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Recorded by:

Cara McPartland

These minutes approved on the 20<sup>th</sup> of September, 2018.

**APPROVED:**

  
Skip Blancett, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
Cara McPartland, City Secretary

